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 "HANKOW,"3,073 " " " C. V. Lloyd.
 "KINSHAN,"1,995 " " " J. J. Lossius.

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 Departures on Sundays at 12.30 P.M.
 Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8.30 A.M.

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JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K. C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM,"588 tons.....Captain J. Willox.
 "NANNING,"569 " " " C. Hutchart.

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FARES:—Canton to Wuchow.....Single \$15.00. Return \$25.00.
 Canton to Tak Hing ".....Single \$12.50. Return \$21.00.
 Canton to Samshui.....Single \$7.50.

HONGKONG-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "LINTAN,"Capt. B. Branch. S.S. "SANUI,"Capt. H. Black.
 Departures from Hongkong to Wuchow about three times every week, calling at Kumchuk, Samshui, Shiu-Hing and Tak-Hing. Departures from Wuchow about three times every week calling at the same ports.

FARES:—Hongkong to Wuchow Single \$17.50. Return \$30.00. Round trip tickets to Wuchow returning via Canton or vice versa \$36.00. available for one month. Round trips to and from Wuchow take from 5 to 7 days.

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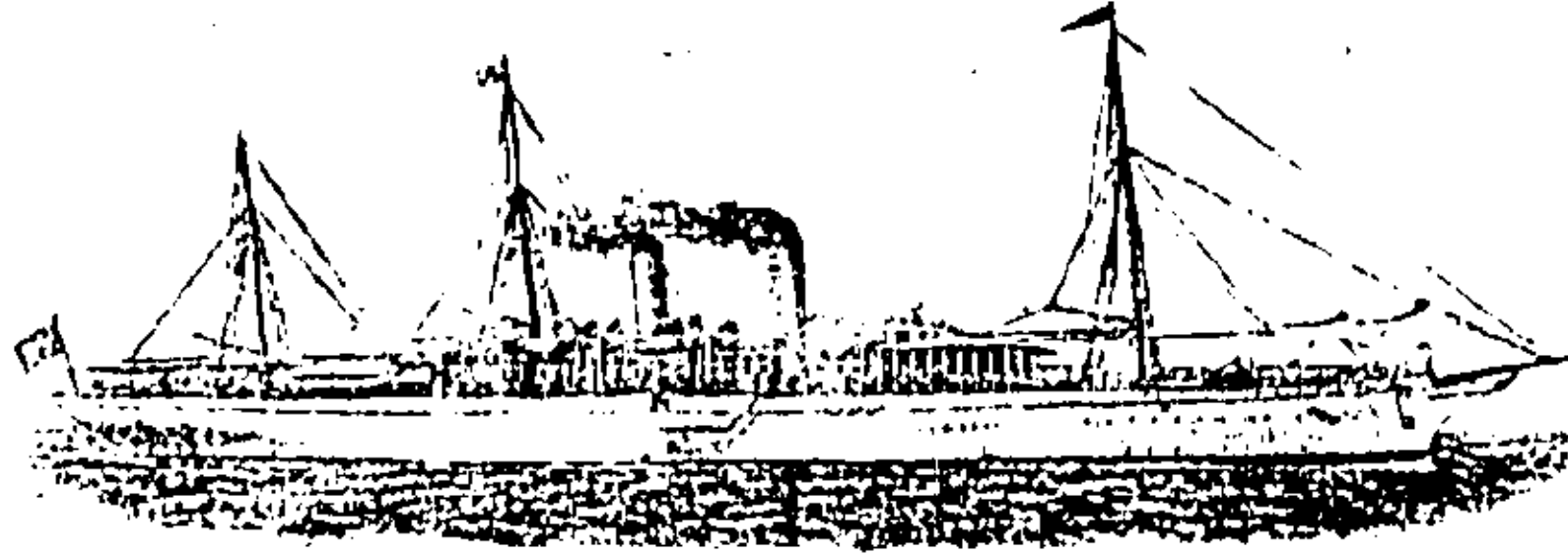
S.S. "TAK HING,"Capt. R. Birss. S.S. "HONGKONG,"Capt. Maxfield.
 Departures from Hongkong daily (Saturday excepted) at 7 P.M., calling at Kumchuk and Kongmoon. Returning daily (Monday excepted).

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 Hongkong, 5th January, 1905.

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	Freight.
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RHENANIA.....	MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	18th March.	Freight and Passengers.
SUEVIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	4th April.	Freight.
SILESIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO).	18th April.	Freight and Passengers.
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 Hongkong, 16th November, 1904.

Intimations.

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TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.
 7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m.Every 30 minutes.
 7.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m.Every 15 minutes.
 8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.Every 15 minutes.
 8.30 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.Every 15 minutes.
 9.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.Every 15 minutes.
 11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.Every 15 minutes.
 12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.Every 15 minutes.
 1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m.Every 15 minutes.
 1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.Every 15 minutes.
 2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.Every 15 minutes.
 3.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.Every 15 minutes.
 6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.Every 15 minutes.
 9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.Every 30 minutes.
 9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.Every 15 minutes.
 10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.Every 10 minutes.
 12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m.Every 10 minutes.
 1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.Every 15 minutes.
 5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.Every 10 minutes.
 6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.Every 15 minutes.
 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS on Week Days.

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Extra cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.
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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
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 Hongkong, 29th December, 1904.

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Intimations.

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 Post Office to Causeway Bay or Race Course 4 " Third.
 Causeway Bay to Shau-ki-wan 5 " Third.

The previous Table of Fares is hereby cancelled.
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Intimations.

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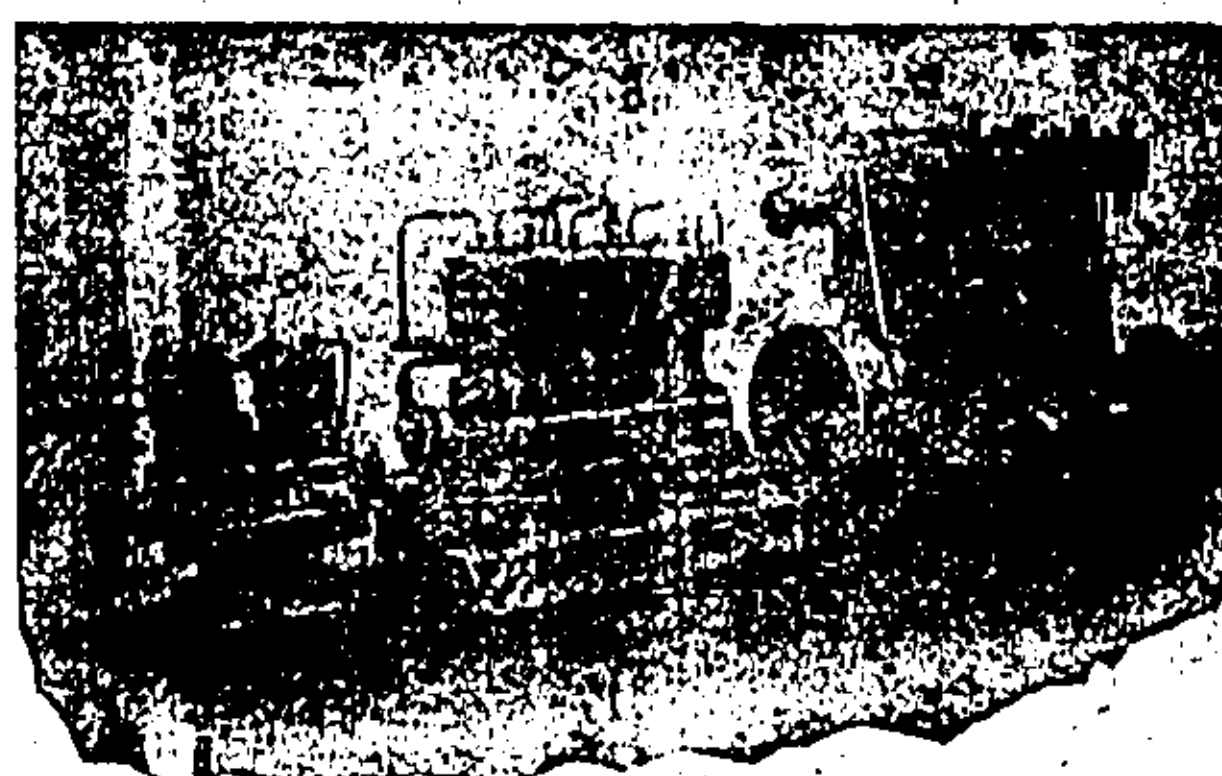
Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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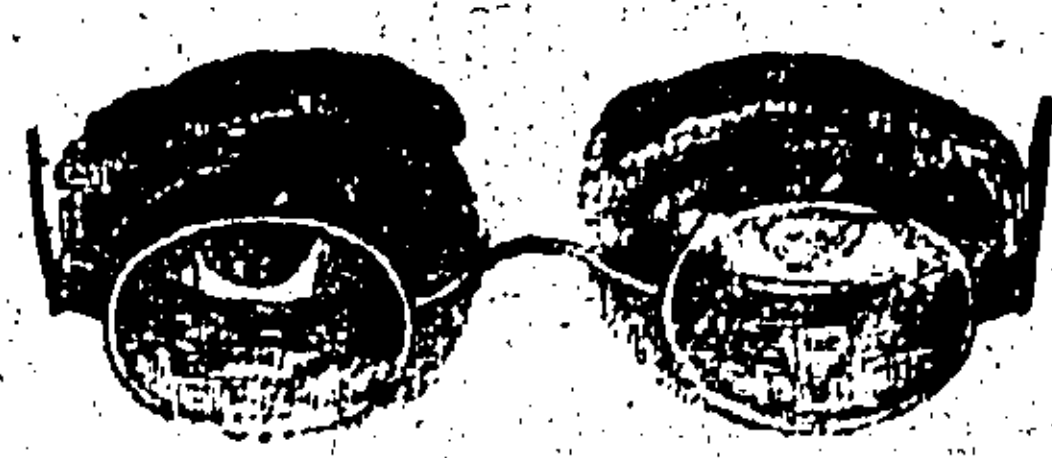
HONGKONG AND CANTON.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1905.

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Intimations.

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1905.

Intimations.

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the oil retains all its wonderful curative properties with no bad smell or taste whatever. It is palatable as honey and contains all the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry; creating a medicine of unequalled power for the diseases most prevalent and fatal among men, women and children. There is no other remedy to compare with it. It increases the digestive power of the stomach and in Blood Impurities, Weakness, Loss of Flesh, Throat and Lung Troubles, Nervous Dyspepsia, Scrofulous Affections, Thinness and Slow Development in the young, it gives quick and certain relief and cure. Dr. G. C. Shannon, of Canada, says: "I shall continue its use with, I am sure, great advantage to my patients and satisfaction to myself." Has all the virtues of cod liver oil; none of its faults. You may trust it fully; it cannot disappoint or fail. One bottle convinces. Sold by all chemists.

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COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 6th day of March, 1905, at 11.30 A.M., to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1904, and to elect a Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th February to the 6th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1905. [226]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after this date interest at the rate of 8% per annum will be charged upon all Calls in respect of SHARES NOT FULLY PAID UP from the day appointed for payment of such Calls, namely 3rd January, 1905.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1905. [122]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LTD., beg to notify the Public that the PRICE OF GAS will be REDUCED from \$1.50 to \$1.00 per 1,000 cubic feet as from the 1st February, 1905.

GEORGE CURRY,

Local Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1905. [198]

HONGKONG YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN
ASSOCIATION.

A NEW DAY SCHOOL

FOR CHINESE PUPILS will be opened on MONDAY, March 6th, in connection with the Young Men's Christian Association (Chinese Department) at 26, Des Vaux Road Central, top floor. Thorough instruction in ALL THE ENGLISH RANCHES will be given by FIRST-CLASS TEACHERS UNDER FOREIGN SUPERVISION. Central location. Rooms large and well ventilated. Rates very reasonable. Call or send for our catalogue giving full particulars. Address the SECRETARY as above.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1905. [233]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—

On WEDNESDAY, 1st March:—

From Pak-sha-wan, towards entrance to Junk Bay, at ranges of 600 to 4,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 11 A.M.

On FRIDAY, 3rd March:—

From Sywan and Pak-sha-wan, towards entrance to Junk Bay, at ranges of 600 to 6,000 yards, and 600 to 4,000 yards, respectively, commencing at 9.30 A.M. at Sywan and continuing at Pak-sha-wan thereafter, and finishing at 11 A.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of the above dates, Practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the range.

L. BARNES-LAWRENCE, Captain, R.N.,

Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department,

Hongkong, 25th February, 1905. [390]

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING
AND MINING CO. CASE.CHANG YEN-MAO v. BAWICK, MOREING
AND CO.

[Continued from yesterday.]

In the Chancery Court Mr. Justice Joyce continued on 24th ult. the hearing of the action brought by his Excellency Chang Yen-mao and the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, of Tientsin, against Mr. Charles Bawick, Moreing and Co., Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Limited. The cause of action was explained in our last issue. When the case was resumed, as a result of the interest which it has aroused, the Court was again crowded. Chang Yen-mao was under cross-examination when the Court rose on 19th ult., his evidence being interpreted by Sir Walter Hillier. The plaintiff was further cross-examined when the resumption took place.

Mr. Rufus Isaacs: Did you know before you came to Tientsin that Mr. Hoover did require a certain document to be signed by you?

Witness: Before I can say whether I remember I should like you to specify.

Very well, I'll try another way. Do you remember the four days' row at Tientsin? (Laughter.) Yes.

After a lengthy manipulation of phraseology, Mr. Rufus Isaacs succeeded in conveying his meaning to Chang Yen-mao, and received an affirmative reply to his question.

Did you know when you signed the documents dated Feb. 19, 1901, that Detring had been appointed to make the necessary arrangements with Mr. Hoover, and that he was to do that by signing on behalf of the Chinese Mining and Engineering Company?—Yes.

When you were being pressed to sign the documents, did you say you would not do so unless you were given 75,000,000, of which 75,000,000 were to be for the Government, and 75,000,000 in satisfaction of claims by the employees for bonuses?—It was not put in that way.

Did you ask for 75,000,000?—No explicit sum was asked for; simply profits for the old shareholders and bonuses to the employees.

Aprior from profits and bonuses, did you ask for 75,000,000 for the Government?—Yes, and the money was paid.

Do you remember that after you handed over the management to Mr. Detring, the latter Mr. Hoover, and De Wouters acted as board—that is to say, were the three directors in China managing the property?—Yes.

And then you appointed two Chinese to act as directors also?—Yes.

Have they taken any part in the management in China?—Yes. Did Mr. Detring tell you that Moreing had handed him 50,000 shares?—Yes. He mentioned nothing about money.

Do you know that Mr. Detring received £3,750 as the dividend due on the 50,000 shares?—I know he received 50,000 shares and something in excess, but I do not know the amount. He knew nothing about Detring having pressed for these shares. He knew nothing of them until Detring handed them to him, and he refused to take them. He had made no arrangement with Detring as to sharing any profits with him. He knew that Detring was taking a prominent part in the transactions which were on foot. He had entrusted the matter to him, and fixed his salary at £1,200 a year, and gave him, in addition authority, to take for three years a bonus of 5 per cent. on the profits of the company. He did not know in 1899 or 1900 that it was agreed between the defendant Moreing and Detring that profits were to be shared between them and himself.

Detring was putting any number of proposals before him at that time, but there was no discussion as to any division of profits. Detring was full of schemes for the improvement of the Chinese revenues. Witness knew of a proposed loan of £1,000,000 by the defendant Moreing to the Mining Bureau of China. He would like to tell the story of that transaction. Letters between Detring and Moreing were in English, and it was impossible for him to have knowledge of their contents.

Witness was then cross-examined by Mr. Haldane on behalf of the defendant company. Asked what he meant by his having come to England "to recover the situation," he said he meant to get back the rights and privileges under which the old company was managed by commercial people under official supervision, and to recover the losses suffered by the old shareholders. The memorandum of Feb. 19, 1901, which he was seeking to enforce by this action was then put to him, and he complained of various particulars in which it had not been carried out. Amongst others the clause providing for equal rights of voting between Chinese and foreign shareholders had been disregarded. The Chinese shareholders had never been summoned to any meeting at all. By Clause 7 witness was supposed to be director-general "as before," but he had no power whatever in fact.

What were your duties in the old company?—I had absolute authority. I had everything to do with the relations with the mines, the employment of workpeople, and the disposition of the capital of the company. If there was anything that the shareholders objected to they would submit their views in a petition. Is that the position you seek to have in the new company?—That is the agreement I remain director-general, and if the new shareholders objected to anything I did they could petition me, the Minister of Trade, the Viceroy, or the Government. A Chinese board was established, but it was not recognised.

Mr. Haldane read an advertisement signed by his Excellency and inserted in a Tientsin newspaper after the formation of the defendant company. The advertisement contained some quaint phrases, and Chang quoted what he said was "the well-known saying of an Emperor, of the Ming Dynasty, 'While I am reclining on my couch I decidedly object to having another person sneering at my side.'"

(Laughter.) Chang also said, "We have almost talked our tongues dry and have worn the points off our pens, but it was not until the third moon of this year that we got the regulations settled." His Excellency was then questioned as to the disposition of the mining property. He declared that if the agreement had been carried out the profits of the shareholders would have been three times what they are now, and the shares would have been up to 75,000 and 75,000. But the dividends were respectively 7 1/2 per cent., 5 per cent., and 7 1/2 per cent. That was all right; was it not? The shares stand at a premium?—Yes, but the reason of that is that when people want to buy up they go up and when they do not want them down they fall. (Laughter.) The experience was not confined to China. (Renewed laughter.)

Do you know that the company has spent £200,000 in developing the property?—Yes, and they have spoilt it entirely. (Loud laughter.) This concluded the hearing for the day.

THE FIFTH DAY.

His Excellency Chang Yen-mao gave further evidence in re-examination on 25th ult., making clearer some of his previous answers, and at the conclusion of his evidence Mr. Levett, K.C., through Sir Walter Hillier, thanked his

Excellency for the way in which he had given his evidence. Mr. Levett also expressed his thanks to Sir Walter Hillier, who had acted as interpreter, and Mr. Justice Joyce said: "I also wish to thank you very much, Sir Walter, for the admirable way in which you have performed a very difficult task." Mr. Hughes, the leading counsel for Mr. Moreing, said that, without being exposed to any rebuke, he might join in what had been said on behalf of his clients.

MR. DETRING'S EVIDENCE.

Mr. Detring was then examined by Mr. Levett. He said he was a German, and became a student interpreter in 1865. Since 1869 he had been in charge of the Customs at treaty ports. In 1877 he was appointed Commissioner at Tientsin and was still there. He was there when Li Hung-chang was Viceroy. He remembered the formation of the original Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, and knew Tong King-sing, the first director-general, who died about 1882, and was succeeded by his Excellency Chang Yen-mao. Both consulted witness about the mines. From the beginning the company was under-capitalised and in want of money. Up to the death of Tong King-sing the mines had not made any profits. When his Excellency took charge the credit of the company became very much increased; that was to say, it could obtain money better from its bankers, and in 1889 they could pay a dividend of 12 per cent. In 1893 he returned to China after a visit to Europe. He was then attached to the mines, and in June, 1893, he saw Mr. Moreing, who arranged to send out a mining engineer. There was no agreement with Mr. Moreing as to division of profits; Mr. Moreing had mentioned profits to him but he never replied to him. Mr. Hoover arrived in China in the beginning of 1899. He was engaged by the Mining Bureau, and he inspected various coal mines. There was a debt of £1,200,000 on the mines, and the Russians were willing to give £1,500,000 for the property. Witness, in June, 1899, wrote to Mr. Moreing that there was a difficulty in placing the mines under a foreign flag. "Chang," he said, "would, no doubt, be pleased to place them under the Union Jack; but he cannot do so at once. They might try to nail him on the cross for it, for what the Chinese might describe as an unpatriotic act. Up to 1900 not much progress had been made in the negotiations."

When was Chang arrested?—On June 22, 1900. He was confined in an old kitchen, and I saw him on the following day. I advised him that steps should be taken to secure protection for the company's property, and Chang gave me a power of attorney. When Chang was released he went to Tongku, where witness and Hoover went to see him. It looked as if the Legations would fall, and in that event the partition of China was probable. Chang had great influence with the Chinese Court, and he left to get into the Chinese lines, so that he might see the Emperor in Peking. He subsequently met a courier, who told him that the fanatical party was in power, and they could get the Emperor to sign any decrees they wished. Chang therefore returned.

Asked concerning the deed of July 3, witness said Mr. Hoover and Mr. Eames consulted him about it, and the principle of the deed was settled on July 3. He did not sign it until the 2nd or 3rd of August, and Hoover immediately left for Shanghai to register a copy of the deed at the British Consulate. Chang was never consulted about the deed.

At the time had you made any arrangement about the profits?—No. In my interviews with Mr. Hoover the hint was thrown out that there would be a profit to me; but in regard to such offers I was mute. I did not ask for anything, nor did I hint that I wanted any profit. When Hoover returned from England he said there would be 50,000 shares for Chang and myself for "floating expenses," but the conversation was one-sided. At the end of January, 1901, Hoover showed me the altered deed, and said the alterations were necessary to make the deed valid. He did not tell his Excellency of the alterations.

Was the deed, as altered, ever shown to him?—No.

Did you tell his Excellency anything about the 50,000 shares?—No. Before the deed of February, 1901, was signed Chang became suspicious that Hoover was not acting straight.

What part did you take in the "four days' row"? I encouraged Chang to sign it because the Russians had seized the mines, were shooting the miners as they came out of the pit, and the coal was being taken.

Witness complained that the new company only carried out the agreement for two or three months, and that cheques signed by Mr. Hoover and De Wouters, but not by himself, were honoured. It was evident that pressure was used to squash the Chinese board. A manager was sent out who promised to ignore the agreement. The official business of the company was suspended. In July 1901, he wrote to Messrs. Drummond and White-Cooper (the old directors of the company), complaining of what was going on. December 1902, Mr. Moreing came out, and witness told him that this matter of 50,000 shares must be clearly regulated. Moreing said he had to consult with somebody, and had to return for that purpose. Moreing then put the money on the desk, and witness gave him a receipt for the shares in the presence of the British Consul, and for £4,875 cash for shares in the Oriental Syndicate. He executed a formal document, giving an account of these shares, to the effect that he wished to place on record that there was at the time of the signature of July 3, between himself and Hoover an understanding that, in the event of the unsuccessful flotation of the company for £1,000,000, an amount of £200,000 would be recognised as the legitimate sum to cover expenses, &c., of floating the company, and that of this £200,000 he was under £500 between them that £50,000 should be sent to China to cover the possibility of opposition at the idea of the novel step of introducing foreign capital into the Chinese Company. The document added that, the original intention of the two agreements having been entirely perverted, they had decided to have nothing to do with this sum, lest the acceptance of it should be an entanglement to them to acquiesce in the way in which the company had been floated. The shares taken were now being used for the purpose of obtaining justice. The money was paid into the Hongkong Bank, and applied for the company's use. Mr. Moreing said the extra shares were his share in the profit obtained by the Oriental Syndicate. Asked whether he had received from Mr. Moreing any personal advantage from these transactions, witness said that Mr. Moreing proposed to Chang that he should be an administrator, and that for three years he got a salary of £2,000 from that post. With that exception he had had no cash or shares given to him. He had never received any personal benefit from the shares.

[To be continued.]

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.

London—Bank T.T. 1 1/16
Do. demand 1 1/16
Do. 4 months' sight 1 1/16
France—Bank T.T. 2 3/4
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Germany—Bank T.T. 193
India T.T. 140 1/2
Do. demand 141

Shanghai—Bank T.T. 72
Japan—Bank T.T. 92 1/2
Java—Bank T.T. 113 1/2

Buying.

4 months' sight L/C. 1 1/16
6 months' sight L/C. 1 1/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York 40 1/2
4 months' sight do. 47 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne ... 1 1/16
4 months' sight France 2 1/4
6 months' sight do. 2 1/4
4 months' sight Germany 1 5/8
Bar Silver 27 1/2
Bank of England rate 1 7/8

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—

Per chest
Malwa New @ 1,130/1,150
" Old @ 1,160/1,200
" Older @ 1,240/1,300
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HUGHES & HOUGH,

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Hongkong, 28th February, 1905. [280]

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DEATH.

On the 21st February, at No. 10, Qiansan
Road, Shanghai, JACOB BECKHOFF, aged 61
years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1905.

RAILROADS.

The news sent through by our correspond-
ent at Shanghai announcing that Germany
is seeking to obtain another railroad con-
cession in Shantung illustrates the pushful-
ness of rivals in the race for commercial
supremacy in China. There is no doubt, of
course, that, in the neighbouring Empire,
political questions often complicate railway
matters and these concessions which we
frequently read about must not be regarded
solely as commercial undertakings. But since
the events which brought about the occupa-
tion of Kiaochow in 1897, Germany has made
a bold bid for a share of the commerce in
North China, and although her early
efforts did not appear to be crowned with
any very great success she has shown within
the past year or so that she will persevere in
her attempts at the development of the
trade of Shantung. It was not long ere the
Germans built a railroad between Tsingtau
and the interior of the Province where its
rich natural resources could be tapped, and
she is now bent on getting another conces-
sion to build a line in a different direction
and thus further safeguard her interests.
Upwards of forty years ago, owing to the
rapid development of our own Colony and
the growth of British interests in China, it
was considered desirable to obtain an exten-
sion of our territory on the mainland. This
was brought about by the treaty of Tientsin
in 1861, and it was not long afterwards
that the question of opening up a rail-
road to Canton was generally discussed.
No practical move appears to have been
made, however, until 1899, when a conces-
sion was obtained from the Chinese Govern-
ment to build the line. As that was granted
so long ago there should have been no delay
in pushing on with the construction of this
important work. Up to the present, the
concessionaries have not risen, it must be
confessed, to the level of its opportunities;
absolutely nothing appears to have been done
by them to bring the line into being. The
merchants of the Colony realised the im-
portance of the concession and through the
Chamber of Commerce made representations
to the Government and Sir Ernest Satow
with the object of accelerating, if possible,
the construction of the railroad. They even
suggested that failing an early commence-
ment, by the present concessionaries the
Hongkong and Imperial Governments should
themselves construct or guarantee the capital
necessary to complete the line as far as
Canton. In December last, Mr. Keswick,
speaking at the annual meeting of the
British and Chinese Corporation, announced
that the railway was receiving their active
attention and that they had every reason to
hope the arrangements with regard to
financing and constructing the Chinese
section from Canton to the frontier of Kow-
loon would not be long delayed. This
was hopeful indeed, and the remarks
of the Chairman at the Chamber of
Commerce meeting this afternoon showed
that the commercial interests of the Colony
are keenly alive to the necessity of making
a start at once, and we trust that in the
very near future something definite will be made
known. There is no excuse for the regret-
table tardiness in taking advantage of the
concession, and even though we may not
count on much official assistance from home
the claim should not be allowed to be whit-
tled away.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

* * * ANOTHER instalment of the interesting re-
port in connection with the Chinese Engineer-
ing and Mining Co. Case is given on the third
page of the present issue.

THIRTEEN Chinese men and women were placed
before Mr. Hazland, at the Magistracy charged
with re-erecting cubicles after they had been
removed by the Sanitary Board. They were
each fined \$15, and given one week in which
to demolish the illegal structures.

THE Emperor of China has decorated General
Nodzu, Commander-in-Chief of the Fourth
Army in Manchuria, with the Third Order of
Double Dragons with the Treasure Star.

THE appeal of H. B. Collins, who was recently
sentenced at Yokohama for divulging "war
secrets of Japan, has been heard in the Tokyo
Appeal Court. On Friday this Court delivered
judgment, quashing the original judgment
but sentencing the appellant to eleven years
imprisonment. This is the same sentence as
was passed by the Yokohama Court. The
Appeal Court holds that the sentence inflicted
was just, but the grounds of conviction
defective.

HIS Honour Yuan Taotui of Shanghai, in reply
to the Japanese Consul's note of inquiry, said
that after careful investigation and questioning
the workmen in the dock, there was nothing to
justify the recent rumours that the Russian
warships will be again fitted up with machinery
which has been ordered to be made in the
dock, and that bribes have been used to make
the arrangements perfectly secret. Further,
that when thus fitted up, the Russian warships
will seize a favourable opportunity to escape,
etc.—*Sinwunpao*.

THE Canton-Macao Railway agreement hav-
ing been signed, it is provided that the rail-
way will be constructed to Canton, Shengshau,
Samshui, and Hsinhui, with capital half
Chinese, and half Portuguese. It is now learn-
ed that the Portuguese newspapers have com-
mented bitterly on the agreement, and that
there is an unwillingness on the part of the
Portuguese to subscribe capital, mainly on the
grounds that the railway will have to be return-
ed to China after a period of fifty years, and
that the approval of the Chinese Portuguese Treaty
by the Portuguese Parliament will not be known
until April.—*Sinwunpao*.

P.S. SIM this morning charged an old and
more than usually garrulous Chinese woman
with disorderly conduct, and assaulting a Chi-
nese constable and damaging his tunic to the
extent of 50 cents. The story as related to Mr.
Hazland at the Magistracy was that the Chi-
nese constable while on patrol came across
three Chinese urchins laying it strong into
each other with fists, and making a great
noise. He went to stop the fighting and dis-
turbance, and while separating the boys, the
old woman came along, caught hold of the
constable, and without asking the cause of the
trouble, pulled him about so roughly as to
tear his tunic. The woman and the three
boys were thereupon arrested. The old wo-
man said she came into the road to learn what
all the noise was about when the constable,
without any provocation made use of offensive
expressions, which she resented. That was
why she caught hold of him; but did not tear
his uniform. His Worship said he did not be-
lieve her story, and as the boys were very
small, he ordered the woman, who was the
mother of one and guardian of the others,
to take them home and give them a good
thrashing. "Yes, I will," snapped out the
dame, and by the expression on her face,
she meant it! But there was a further sur-
prise in store for her, for His Worship ordered
her to pay 17, in lieu of 14 days' imprisonment,
for her conduct and the assault, and to pay 50
cents compensation to the constable for his
torn tunic. "Yes! I'll thrash the boys" again
snorted the old woman, and she left the Court
with passionate anger blazing in her eyes!

KILLED AT PLAY.

As a result of the death of Chan Ching, a
coolie, who met his death on the 17th, while
playing with a comrade, under circumstances
already recorded, Chan Ching was indicted and
charged with manslaughter, and was this morn-
ing placed before Mr. F. A. Hazland, at the
Magistracy, to answer to the charge.

The first witness called deposed that on the
day in question he was upstairs, and saw the
deceased and accused playing, as they were
always doing. He saw the prisoner touch the
deceased on the left side, and deceased then
squatted down, and said "you struck me." He
shortly after expired. He could not say what
deceased struck deceased with his open
hand or closed fist. The deceased and accused
were always on very good terms.

Dr. Hunter said that he examined the body
of a male Chinese aged about 35 years, and
found the cause of death was due to a ruptured
spleen, which was about six times the normal
size, and weighed about three lbs., and would
be ruptured by a very slight blow.

The foreman of the gang of coolies, residing
in the marshes where the fatal occurrence took
place, deposed that both the deceased and
accused were on friendly terms, and had never
been known to quarrel or have any sort of dis-
pute whatever. After he heard of this affair he
went to look for accused and found him in
Third Street, and handed him over to District
Watchman No. 58.

P. S. George Watt stated that at about 9 p.m.
on the 16th inst., the last witness and District
Watchman No. 58, brought the accused to No.
7 Police Station, and there in witness's presence,
made a statement in consequence of which he
went with them to a match at Lower Hill
Road, above Kennedy Town. He then saw
deceased lying on a bed on the first floor, and
had the body removed to the mortuary, and
accompanied it there.

Defendant said "I killed him by accident."

This concluding the case for the prosecution,
His Worship was about to commit the accused
to take his trial at the next sessions, when
Inspector Collett, who was in charge of the
case, entered the Court and said that he was
instructed by the Captain Superintendent of
Police to withdraw the case. This was accord-
ingly done, and the accused discharged.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
CO., LD.

The report for presentation to the share-
holders at the thirty-sixth ordinary general
meeting, to be held at the offices of the general
managers, on the 6th March, at 11.30 a.m.,
reads:—

The general managers and consulting com-
mittee have pleasure in submitting to the
shareholders the thirty-sixth annual report of
the Company.

1904 Account.—This account shows a profit
of \$102,222.22 which sum, subject to the ap-
proval of the shareholders, it is proposed to
deal with as follows, viz:—

Dividend of \$34 per share \$273,000.00
Addition to reserve fund 30,222.22

\$303,222.22

1904 Account.—The balance at credit of this
account is \$360,372.63.

Mortgages.—From the reports and valua-
tions made by the Company's surveyors, the
general managers and consulting committee
are satisfied that the properties held by the
Company form ample security for the advances
made.

Consulting Committee.—Mr. J. H. Lewis
having resigned, Mr. H. P. White was nomi-
nated to take his place and his appointment re-
quires the confirmation of shareholders. The
present members The Hon. Sir Paul Chater,
C.M.C., Messrs F. Maitland, A. J. Raymond and
H. P. White retire, but offer themselves for re-
election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited
by Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and Thos. Arnold,
the latter in place of Mr. R. C. Wilcox, who
has left the Colony, and their re-election is re-
commended.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers,

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

The accounts are as follows:—

BALANCE SHEET.
31st December, 1904.

Dr. Liabilities. \$ c.

Capital subscribed, \$1,000,000.00

Amount paid-up 400,000.00

Reserve fund 170,288.48

Uncollected dividends 6,376.80

Accounts payable 36,944.45

Working account, 1903, 302,222.22

Net profit 302,222.22

Working account, 1904, 302,222.22

Amount brought forward from below 360,372.63

\$2,276,104.58

Cr. Assets. \$ c.

Cash, on current account with

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-
ing Corporation 84,171.36

Cash in hand of General Managers 672.36

Fixed deposits,—

Hongkong & Shanghai

Banking Corporation \$50,000.00

Chartered Bank of In-
dia, Australia & China 50,000.00

Mercantile Bank of
India, Limited 25,000.00

125,000.00

Mortgages,—

In Hongkong \$1,222,320.37

In Shanghai 405,417.07

In Yokohama 25,725.39

1,673,462.83

Japanese Govt. deposit,—

Consolidation bonds \$29,104.00

Imperial bonds 66,510.36

War bonds 26,865.23

122,479.59

Investments,—

Chinese Imperial Govt.

loan, 1888 \$28,051.85

Shanghai Land Invest-
ment Company, Ltd.

debentures 27,586.20

Shanghai Club deben-
tures 13,333.33

Hongkong Hotel Co.,
Ltd., debentures 52,000.00

120,971.38

Steam fire engines 500.00

Accounts receivable 148,745.06

\$2,276,204.58

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1903.

To losses and claims paid \$ 131,739.74

„ charges 35,343.16

„ remuneration to consulting
committee and auditors 5,500.00

„ commissions 44,032.11

„ exchange 4,528.36

„ balance as above 302,222.22

\$523,365.59

By net premia received, less returns

and re-insurances \$ 388,233.67

„ interest 135,679.91

„ transfer fees 64.00

\$523,365.59

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1904.

To losses and claims paid \$ 87,566.08

„ charges 33,045.42

„ commissions 45,350.81

„ exchange 276.13

„ balance as above 300,372.63

\$526,611.97

By net premia received, less returns

and re-insurances \$ 388,233.67

„ interest 140,775.39

„ transfer fees 46.00

\$526,611.97

We have examined the books and vouchers

of the Company, and certify that the above

statements are in accordance therewith.

W. HUTTON POTTS, Auditors.

THOS. ARNOLD,

Hongkong, 25th February, 1905.

THE DALLAS-BANDMANN
OPERA COMPANY.

This talented Company commence their sta-
tion at the City Hall with the enormously
successful musical comedy, "A Country Girl," on
Thursday next. The Dallas-Bandmann Opera
Company have gained for themselves a rep-
utation of a very high order throughout India
and Burma, and Mr. Dallas may confidently
look forward to a "record" season this year.

NAVAL NOTES.

The Fleet sailed for a short cruise this
morning shortly after 11 o'clock under the
command of Rear-Admiral Hon. Curzon Howe.
It is expected they will be away about 12 days.
Last night and previous to the ships sailing
H.M.S. *Vengeance* received upwards of a
hundred ratings for passage home from various
ships. Ships left in harbour are the *Vengeance*,
Albion, *Centurion*, and *Astraea*; those departed
being the *Ocean* (flag), *Glory*, *Andromeda*,
Sutlej and *Iphigenia*.

CLAIM FOR DAMAGED
FURNITURE.

A LONG LIVED TABLE-CLOTH.

At the Civil Summary Court this morning,
before the Puisne Judge, (Mr. T. Sercombe
Smith) Mr. Archibald Ritchie sued Mr. Alfred
Schroeder of Messrs. Jessen and Company, for
the recovery of \$65.75, being in respect of
articles of furniture destroyed or lost from
"Hollywood," Des Vaux Road, Kowloon.

Mr. J. M. D. Stephens appeared for the
plaintiff and Mr. E. J. Grist (Messrs. Wilkinson
and Grist) defended.

Plaintiff stated that he let premises to the
defendant under an agreement from April to
the end of last year. The house was furnished,
and defendant went through the inventory with
him. The furniture in the house was then all
in good condition. When he let the premises,
there was a table cloth there which he had had
for two or three years, and which had not a
hole in it, the only blemish being a small ink-
spot. Now it was torn into strips, and had
several holes in it. There were three Japanese
flower-pots in the house, but now two were
missing. Defendant had paid fifty cents into
Court in respect of one of them. A chair seat
had to be renewed, whilst a looking glass in
the bath-room was missing, and a zinc boiler
was broken. Two leather pillows were miss-
ing, and the frame of a lounge chair was broken.
He understood that the chair was flung from
the verandah at burglars, who were in the house.
Plaintiff arrived back in December and wrote
to defendant on the 30th making an appoint-
ment to check the inventory on January 2nd.

By Mr. Grist: He would expect a table cloth
like the one produced, to last for 20 years,
every day in use.

Mr. Grist: You are a very expectant person
(Laughter).

Defendant had paid into Court \$48.75 in set-
tlement of the claim.

A number of Chinese servants were called
and spoke to puppy-dogs jumping on the fur-
niture, and playing tug-of-war with the table
cloth.

Defendant was then called, and said when
he took the house the cloth, which was an old
one, had a hole in it. He stated that the look-
ing-glass and the feather-pillows were in the
house when he gave up possession.

Mr. C. Haeslop, assistant to Messrs. Lit-
tens, Einemann, and Company, who shared
the house with defendant, gave similar evi-
dence. He said the chair and Japanese flower
pots were broken in the typhoon of August.

Mr. F. C. Zurnier and Mr. E. Ullrich, who
also lived in the house, corroborated.

His Honour gave judgment for plaintiff for
\$55 with costs.

A counter-claim was then heard in which
Schroeder claimed \$75 for breach of contract.
It was a condition of the agreement when he
took the house and one of the inducements to
taking it that he should have the use of a ten-
nis court. This court was to be ready by
the terms of the agreement on the 1st July, but
as a matter of fact it was not ready until Oc-
tober 2nd. He therefore claimed \$75 a month
during the time the court was not available.
He made frequent complaints to Mr. Ritchie's
agents in this connection.

Mr. C. F. Focken, who laid out the court on
behalf of Mr. Ritchie, said it was ready for play
in July. When he told Schroeder it was ready
he said "It is too hot now to play; I would
rather wait a month or two."

By Mr. Grist: Witness replied it will be all
the better for the court. He did not, however,
tell him he could not play.

His Honour gave judgment for Mr. Ritchie
with costs.

THE French Minister at Peking has notified
the Waiwupu that, according to information
from the French Consul at Canton, the French
Roman Catholic church there has been dam-
aged by native bad characters, for which com-
pensation is claimed, and that in order to
prevent a similar occurrence in future French
troops are intended to be stationed outside the
French concession there. Viceroy Tsen Chen
Hueu telegraphed to the Waiwupu that there
was no damage to the church, and that, with
regard to the intention of stationing French
troops, it should be settled between himself
and the French Consul at Canton, etc. The
French Minister, however, insists on the
demand, and takes independent action with
the Waiwupu, despite Viceroy Tsen's request.
—*Eastern Times*.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Prins Regent Luitpold*) 1st prox.

American (*Doric*) 2nd prox.

Canadian (*Athenian*) 2nd prox.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's.]

The Third Baltic Squadron.

LONDON, 26th February.

The Third Baltic Squadron has passed Dover.

The Situation in Russia.

The whole of the Caucasus is in a state of anarchy. There appears to be a general strike movement of a semi-revolutionary character, directed by a secret committee at St. Petersburg. Added thereto are ferocious racial feuds producing horrible atrocities.

Later.

A Royal Visit to India.

It is officially announced that the Prince and Princess of Wales will visit India in November.

Russia.

The workmen in the railway shops at Chita on the Siberian railway have struck work; they demand a cessation of the war.

The Tsar has directed steps to be taken with a view to summoning a representative assembly to draft a Constitution giving, in a large measure, a representative Government. A meeting of Ministers is discussing what steps can be taken to give the Tsar's decision a practical form.

[N. C. D. News.]

THE WAR.

The Artillery display on the Sha.

Tokio, 23rd February.

It is officially announced that Russian heavy artillery has newly appeared north of Shachiatin and west of Tashkent.

There was a collision between scouts on Monday night at Changliangpan, five miles west of Shachiatin.

The Russian intermittent shelling continues.

Reinforcements for Japan's Fleet.

Tokio, 22nd February.

The naming has been gazetted of twenty-five destroyers, two of which were built at Kure, four at Sasebo, seven at Yokosuka, two at Maizuru, and others at private yards at Osaka, Kobe, and Nagasaki.

The Cry for More Men.

Osaka, 22nd February.

It is reported from Vienna that the transportation of Russian reinforcements to the East has been obstructed for several weeks.

To supply the large reinforcements demanded by General Kuropatkin has apparently proved an impossible task.

Japan's War Fund.

Tokio, 23rd February.

The fourth series of exchange bonds, for one hundred million yen, will be shortly issued. The issue price is 90 yen, the interest 6 per cent, and the period for repayment, seven years.

The Supplementary Armada.

Osaka, 23rd February.

A London telegram received here says that the Third Baltic Squadron has passed the Sound. The vessels are of an obsolete type, and are great coal-consumers.

THE ODD VOLUMES SOCIETY.

"SOME IRISH CHARACTERISTICS."

Under the auspices of the above Society, the Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., gave his popular lecture "Some Irish Characteristics" at the City Hall, last evening. H. E. General Villiers-Hutton, C.B., presided over a small attendance. In the course of his lecture, which was liberally interspersed with jokes and anecdotes, Mr. May said he would refer to some of the characteristics which distinguished the Irish people, and he said "some" because if he were to try and portray the whole Irish character he would be inevitably led into the labyrinth of Irish politics, and that was what he wanted to avoid. The longer he lived among the Chinese the more points of resemblance did he see to his fellow-countrymen, as both were intensely superstitious. After dealing with the sometimes barbarous methods of the Irish adopted in casting out devils, he said that at some time the Irish people were undoubtedly fire-worshippers, and to this day, a girl making butter would place a light under her churn to keep the faeries from stealing the butter. The custom of wailing the dead was much misunderstood in England. The English people did not seem to understand how they could make merry in the presence of death. But it was not really merry-making at all. Wailing meant watching, and the practice had its origin in the Irish love of companionship, his friends coming to keep him company up to the time of burial. Comparing the superstitions of the Irish with the Chinese, he said both had a strong aversion to being buried alone, and wherever possible an effort was made in Ireland to have the corpse buried in the churchyard of the deceased's native village. Another point of resemblance between the Irish and the Chinese, was in the matter of dowries. The lecturer concluded an interesting and amusing discourse with, amongst others, references to the superstitions attaching to the birch and the blarney-stone, and before actually resuming his seat, related a few side-splitting jokes and stories. The proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the lecturer proposed by General Villiers-Hutton, and a similar compliment to the General proposed by Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., both of which were heartily accorded.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual meeting of members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce was held in the old Chamber Room this afternoon. Owing to the late hour of the meeting, a full report of the proceedings is unavoidably held over until to-morrow.

THE REPORT.

The report of the general committee for the year ending 31st December, 1904, presented to the meeting is as follows:—

Satisfactory progress has been made in matters in question touching upon the commercial interest of the Colony, which have arisen since the last annual meeting.

COTTON CULTIVATION IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

Mr. S. T. Dunn (Superintendent of the Botanical and Afforestation Department) drew the attention of the Chamber to the possibilities of cotton cultivation in the New Territory, and representations were made to the Government asking for support in the nature of a small grant of money to meet the expense of distributing cotton-seed, or plants, to suitable farmers and for prize for the three best results obtained in order to stimulate competition. The great advantage to be gained by the Colony in finding raw cotton within its borders was pointed out, and attention drawn to a similar effort on a large scale now being made in the East African Colonies. The want of enterprise of the Sun On native is well known, but the Committee have hopes that the Government will make a determined effort to induce him to give the experiment a fair trial.

THE OPENING OF KONGMOON.

Kongmoon was opened to trade on 7th March, 1905. Some difficulty was at first anticipated on account of the Customs harbour being a few miles from the city, but the Customs authorities place no difficulties in the way of river steamers anxious to steam up the Kongmoon creek. Regular steamers, European and Chinese, now make Kongmoon a port of call and there are reasonable grounds for believing that the traffic will in time prove a large feeder to the trade of the Colony.

It will be remembered that the Chinese Authorities agreed to open the port under article 8, section 12, of the Shanghai Treaty of 1902, the importance of its early opening as a treaty port was strongly urged on His Excellency Sir Ernest Satow when he met the Committee in August, 1903.

THE PHILADELPHIA MUSEUM AND THE ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION.

The Philadelphia Commercial Museum, with which the Chamber is affiliated, invited the members to make use of its branch office at St. Louis World's Fair, and attention was drawn to this facility in the local press. Members are reminded that a classified list of American traders is kept in the Chamber room.

LEWIS AND CLARK CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION AT PORTLAND (OREGON), 1905. COLONIAL AND INDIAN EXHIBITION, 1905.

Following the practice of previous years the committee replied to the inquiries from the Government regarding the steps to be taken in representing the Colony at the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition at Portland (Oregon) and the Colonial and Indian Exhibition at the Crystal Palace in 1905, that it was not necessary to expend any public money on the manufacture of the Colony are considerable and its natural products so limited that it would be difficult to form a separate court to adequately represent the trade of the Colony at any exhibition. It was suggested that the Registrar-General might represent to the Chinese manufacturers of silverware, ivory ornaments, carved blackwood, etc., the advantage likely to be gained by sending exhibits.

CURRENCY QUESTION.

Although no definite scheme has been adopted by the Chinese Government as the result of the Shanghai Treaty of 1902, the joint representations of the Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai, Tientsin and Hongkong, or the conference between the delegates of the United States, China, Mexico and Great Britain held in London in 1903, it is understood that the Chinese Government still have the question of a uniform national coinage under consideration; but it is impossible to state that any great progress has yet been made.

In accordance with the desire expressed by the members at the last annual meeting that this question should not be lost sight of, correspondence was entered into with the Shanghai and Tientsin Chambers with the result that a second joint memorial was despatched to the members of the diplomatic body at Peking urging the importance of further representations being made to the Chinese Government and showing the urgent necessity of steps being taken to establish a uniform national coinage without further delay. So far however no definite result has been attained beyond eliciting acknowledgments of a sympathetic nature from the ministers for Great Britain and Spain.

DUTY OF NEW YORK TELEGRAMS.

Representations in sympathy with those made by the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce were sent to the New York Chamber asking for support in obtaining from the American Cable Companies the insertion of the date and time of despatch on the telegrams despatched to China. The New York Chamber was unable to obtain this concession which is granted by the European Cable Companies, and it would appear that the American Cable Companies consider their customers have the remedy in their own hands by paying for the additional code word representing time of despatch.

CONTRABAND OF WAR.

The effect of the war between Japan and Russia in Manchuria, and more especially the part played by both navies on the high seas, has been watched with interest and much concern on account of the numerous seizures made chiefly in one short period by the Russian Fleet when several liners plying between America and Hongkong were captured and taken into Vladivostok. The outward bound vessels from Europe were also subjected to search and capture by the Russian Fleet as far east as Aden. International law on the subject of contraband appeared to be differently construed by neutrals and belligerents and it was not until the end of 1904 that any reasonable rules could be said to be held by the Russians in this respect.

It would seem that the version of the rights of neutral ships bound for an enemy's port are now more favourably dealt with by the Russians than the Japanese as the latter does not recognise that the onus of proof that the cargo is not for the use of the troops lies with the captors but the captives. The Russians have finally gone so far as to admit the reverse as the telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Colonial Secretary dated 14th November, 1904, would seem to imply.

In view of the large shipping interests the Colony had at stake in its ordinary trade with Japan and Manchuria, the Hongkong Government are to be thanked for their endeavours to obtain the amelioration of the conditions surrounding neutral cargoes and the exact conditions under which it was viewed by both belligerents.

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF PASSENGERS.

The strong recommendations to the Government in 1897, 1901 and early in 1904, made

with a view to remedying the unsatisfactory work of the Health Officer of the Port's department were renewed again in June last. The matter was very fully referred to in the last Report, and the Committee have again to regret the policy of non-intervention which His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government at that time still followed. In addition to the want of a second Medical Officer ready to cope with the work afloat, the absolute necessity of placing two fast launches at the disposal of the Port Health Officer's department was urged in order that detention of ships should not occur.

COMMERCIAL EDUCATION.

The report of the examination for the commercial certificates of the Chamber of Commerce at Singapore was considered by your committee, but the meagre results shown did not seem to warrant the adoption of similar examinations in Hongkong, at least for the present. Sixteen candidates aged 17 and upwards sat for papers in English, handwriting, arithmetic, typewriting and shorthand, of whom only gained certificates of proficiency.

FISCAL REFORM.

The Government furnished the Chamber with particulars of an inquiry from the Tariff Commission, now sitting in England, regarding statistical or other information especially relating to the potential resources of the Colony. The reply sent dealt with the peculiar position occupied by Hongkong as a transhipping centre, rather than a productive colony, and the Government were asked to keep before the home authorities the impossibility of viewing the question of fiscal reform from a strictly Imperial point of view when the time came for fixing the part Hongkong is to play in the movement.

EMPIRE CABLES.

The Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa approached the Chamber with a view to obtaining sympathetic action with their policy of "all British routes" on Imperial grounds, as an aid to reduction of the cost of long distance telegraphy. The committee were glad to be able to reply that they sympathised with any scheme having for its object the extension of telegraphic facilities and the reduction in the cost of messages, but they were unable to unduly favour "all British routes" but rather preferred "Free Trade in Cables" as recommended in the British Inter-Departmental Committee's report on cable communications in 1902.

NEW HARBOUR OF REFUGE.

A scheme for the construction of a new harbour of refuge for small craft at Mong-kok-tsu covering 166 acres at a cost of \$600,000 was forwarded by the Government for consideration. The need for such a harbour has been very apparent for some years and in 1898 the Chamber approached the Government with a view to a harbour of 80 acres being constructed west of the slaughter house at a cost of \$100,000 but the then Governor was unable to recommend expenditure. The construction of a harbour on the site under consideration was strongly welcomed by the committee on the grounds of greater accessibility, larger area, and its urgent want by the large Chinese population living on small craft in the Harbour.

Reasons were however very fully given why a larger harbour might well be constructed at Mong-kok-tsu in place of the smaller one at Mong-kok-tsu but the Government, realising that it would be used as a place of refuge for small vessels, regretted that the amount required to construct a suitable typhoon anchorage was too heavy to admit of the work being carried out in the immediate future.

It is hoped, however, that as the time approaches for the space occupied by the present land-quarantine and inconvenient Causeway Bay refuge being required for building purposes and the surplus of revenue over expenditure being maintained, that the Government will again take the matter in hand.

CLAYTON'S APPARATUS FOR DISINFECTING SHIPS.

The advisability of the purchase of Clayton's apparatus for disinfecting ships was again referred to by the committee by the Government and a reply somewhat less favourable than that of 1902 was returned. The use of the apparatus for the purpose of disinfecting ships on fire, or in ballast, was acknowledged, but for disinfecting purposes when the great majority of the ships passing through the port have the usual cargo of various Chinese food-stuffs and merchandise which the S.O.2 gas would damage the committee considered the shipping companies and owners of cargo would have strong reason to object. So far as known the recommendation of the committee that, for the present, the matter should be left to private enterprise is being shared by the Government.

QUARANTINE RESTRICTIONS AT SAIGON.

As it was feared that similar treatment at Saigon was not being accorded to vessels belonging to all nationalities including those of the French, correspondence was entered into with the British Consul at that port, and from his reply the committee were glad to note that such was not the case.

METRIC SYSTEM OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Early in the year the Decimale Association called the attention of the Chamber to the Metric Weights and Measures Bill then before the House of Parliament and asked that a favourable expression of opinion regarding the objects of the Bill might be represented to the Hongkong Government. The committee were glad to be able to reply that the movement had been strongly supported in 1902 in answer to a request for an opinion from the Secretary of State for the Colonies forwarded through the Hongkong Government. Later in the year an appeal was made by the Association for financial support to the Parliamentary Campaign Fund, and a donation of £10 was voted by the committee.

PILOTS ORDINANCE, 1904.

The Pilots Ordinance of 1904 was brought in by the Government as the result of the strong representations made by the Chamber during the years 1902-3.

The reason which actuated the committee in asking that all pilots plying for hire in the waters of the Colony should be licensed was no consequence upon any dissatisfaction with a large number of the Chinese engaged in the business, who as a rule have proved themselves fully competent to carry out the work entrusted to them but to put a stop to incompetent men boarding steamers and representing themselves to the masters as fitted to bring vessels into port, and also to prevent the service from gradually deteriorating.

The result, as at present obtained from this legislation, has however been entirely different to that anticipated by the committee. Practically the whole of the Chinese pilots have been deprived of their work, while their places have been taken by a limited number of European pilots. The number of licensed pilots has been so far reduced, that there are now, in the opinion of the committee, not sufficient men to properly carry on the work, and already a demand has been informally put forward for an increase in the pilotage charges on the ground that the service, as now constituted, does not provide a living for those engaged in it. The committee considers the present state of affairs unsatisfactory, and representations have now been made to the Government in order that the service of the experienced and reliable Chinese pilots may be retained and, as originally suggested, the number of pilots be not limited,

also that the services rendered do not, in the opinion of the committee, warrant higher pay.

THE RIVER TRADE AND HONGKONG.

Article VIII of the Shanghai Treaty of 1902 provided for the opening of Waichow as a Treaty Port, and representations urging for this being carried out have been made to Sir Ernest Satow but so far without any definite result. The Secretary of the Chamber made the journey during the Easter Holidays of 1904 from Mirs Bay to Waichow, and thence to Canton down the East River. In less than eight hours' easy walking from Mirs Bay, the town of Tamsui is reached where a comfortable flat-bottomed craft can be hired to sail down stream past Waichow to Canton so that the journey from Hongkong presents no difficulties to the traveller, who can take with him or buy provisions on the way and leave out of consideration the doubtful pleasure of staying in Chinese inns.

The two adjoining cities of Waichow and Kwaishin are both large and prosperous, providing a market for a large and fertile surrounding country. The swiftness of the current during the wet season and the shallowness of the East River in the dry season present a serious obstacle to a regular service of river craft of any great carrying capacity. It would however appear that a light railway stretching from Shan Tung, on Mirs Bay, to Waichow, or one from Waichow to connect with the projected Hongkong-Canton line at Sheklung, also a city of considerable importance on the West River.

When Waichow is opened to foreign trade there is no doubt that the already large passenger and cargo traffic will increase to a great extent to its own and Hongkong's material benefit.

ZONE TIME.

Standard time was quietly introduced by the Imperial Maritime Customs Authorities in the Eastern part of China from Newchwang to Swatow, up the Yangtze as far as Hankow, and at Wei-hai-wei, and Tientsin during the early part of 1904, and their inability to extend the system to Canton and the West River Ports, owing to the close connection of these places with Hongkong, rendered it necessary to induce the local Government to alter the time at Hongkong.

On being approached by the Government the committee strongly urged the adoption of zone time locally, as the only argument able to be brought against the scheme was that it was a change from the existing order of things, and the advantage, on the other hand, were very real.

His Excellency the Governor readily consented to adjust the local time to 8 hours East of Greenwich on Sunday, 30th October, 1904, and it is now possible to travel from Hongkong to all the principal river and coast ports of China and lower East of Hankow without a jarring one's watch. When the extension of railways in China takes place this advantage of one standard time will be even more appreciated.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

In view of the strong opinion expressed at the annual general meeting of members in 1904 that representations should be made to the Government and His Excellency Sir Ernest Satow, H.M.'s Minister at Peking, with the object of accelerating, if possible, the construction of this line in which it is considered the continued prosperity of the Colony largely depends, letters fully expressing the views of the members were despatched.

It was suggested that failing an early commencement by the present concessionaires the Hongkong and Imperial Governments should themselves construct or guarantee the capital necessary to complete the line as far as Canton. From the replies received from both their Excellencies, it would appear they clearly realised the great importance of the matter and have not failed to in press its urgency of treatment on the British Government, but up to the time of writing no news of a Government scheme has been put forward.

QUARANTINE REGULATIONS AT NEWCHANG.

A protest was made through the Hongkong Government to the jurisdiction by Newchwang on 14th July last of 10 days' quarantine dating from time of departure on all ships arriving from Canton, Hongkong, Swatow, Amoy and Foochow. The reply of Mr. Consul Little shows that the regulation was made by the Russian military authorities without objection being raised by the Consular Body, as it was considered that the fact of the port being in belligerent territory gave them full powers in the matter. In view of the extraordinary circumstances in which the authorities were placed at that time in Newchwang the correspondence was not continued.

PIECE GOODS CONTRACTS.

Messrs. Deacon, Hooker and Deacon drew the attention of piece goods merchants to the decision of Mr. Justice Wise in "Endit & Company and Chup Yik firm" and advised, that where local merchants desired to guard against the Chinese buyers cancelling their contracts on the ground of unreasonable delay in the shipment of the goods by the manufacturers in Europe, the practice of inserting such words in the contract as "as soon as possible" should be discontinued in favour of "as soon as we receive them," or a stipulation inserted that the merchant shall not be responsible for delay by the manufacturers.

MISUSE OF CHINA BY EMPLOYERS.

Attention was drawn by Messrs. Alex. Pass & Company to the misuse by employers in European employ of Chinese by bringing the firm's name, and they asked for the Committee's opinion regarding the responsibility of the foreign firms in this connection. The committee considered the matter was entirely one of a legal nature and outside the scope of the committee's functions.

SUGAR CONVENTION.

Further correspondence with the Government took place regarding the local legislation necessary to give effect in the Colony to the provisions of the Brussels Convention.

REGISTRATION OF CHINESE PARTNERSHIPS.

The question again engaged the attention of the committee and some correspondence ensued with the Singapore Chamber from which it would appear that the Straits Government are considering the possibilities of legislation in this direction. It has therefore been decided to await developments from Singapore for the present, as it is thought that by reason of that port's more distant relations with China and the Chinese, the possibilities of formulating a scheme are greater there and if successful will therefore pave the way for a measure on similar lines in Hongkong.

INDECENT PERSONS INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE, 1904.

The onerous conditions imposed on the shipping interests by this Bill were referred to in the report for 1903, and it is satisfactory to note that the passing of an amending Ordinance this year now removes any objections to the original Ordinance by excluding Chinese from the scope of the Ordinance.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS. PROSECUTION.

Legal proceedings were taken during the year against a photographer and a delivery coolie for an infringement of the Act under which the copyright of the Reuters' Telegrams issued by the Chamber is protected. The Police Court prosecution was successful, as the receiver was fined \$10 for publishing the copies of the telegrams in his studio, and the coolie was sentenced to a month's imprisonment.

ment with hard labour for obtaining money on false pretences by selling copies of the "wires" which he was not authorised to do. It is hoped that this action by the committee will deter others from acting in a similar manner.

SURVEY.

During the year 21 (an increase of 13 over 1903) differences between buyer and seller were referred to the Chamber by members, and the expert survey reports were in all cases accepted by the applicants.

As one of the objects of the Chamber is to encourage reference to arbitration in trade disputes instead of redress in the Law Court, the committee again consider it satisfactory to place on record the increased inclination on the part of manufacturers and merchants in Europe to require surveys to be conducted under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce.

MEMBERSHIP.

The membership for 1904 was 150, an increase of 6 firms and public companies, who numbered 123, and 27 single individuals.

The resignations received for 1905 were from Messrs. Smith, Bull & Company, Turner & Company and A. G. Stokes, Esq., and the following have been admitted to membership during 1904, subject to confirmation at the annual meeting:—Messrs. Abdullooly Ebrahim & Co., Midzushima & Co., Angard, Thoresen & Co., Jorge & Co., The Fire Association of Hongkong, and Ramjahn & Co., (for 1905).

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

On Mr. Robert Shewan's resuming his seat as representative of the Chamber in the Legislative Council after home leave on 12th July, 1904, the term of office of Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., thereupon ceased.

The committee greatly appreciated Mr. Pollock's services to the Chamber, and passed a vote of thanks to him on his retirement from office.

THE GENERAL COMMITTEE.

On Mr. R. Shewan's return to the Colony in July last, Mr. H. E. Pollock's term of service as ex-officio member and representative of the Chamber in the Legislative Council expired. Mr. D. R. Law left the Colony on home leave in December and Mr. K. C. Wilcox resigned in January, 1905, on severing his connection with Hongkong. Messrs. H. W. Robertson and E. S. Wheeler were invited to join the committee, and they accepted the vacant seats.

NEW OFFICES.

The more frequent demands on the City Hall committee for the use of the Chamber Room, in the City Hall, during the last few years rendered it necessary to seek new offices for the Chamber. The rooms were therefore obtained in St. George's Buildings, Chater Road, on a 3 years' lease, expiring 30th September, 1907, at a monthly rental of \$100.

FINANCES.

The Pinnacle Rock Fund amounts with interest to \$4,500.89, and is separately invested. No demands have been made on the fund during the year for the discovery of rocks dangerous to navigation on the China Coast, but the possible discovery of the Workfield rock may cause a claim to be made in the near future.

The general funds show a surplus of \$1,868.27, against \$694.27 for 1904, as all sources of income showed increases whilst the expenditure on the whole was stationary. The repayment of the debentures of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., obliged further investments in Hongkong Hotel and Hongkong Club debentures, both yielding 6 per cent. interest per annum. The reserve fund now stands at \$14,715.40.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG. INCORPORATED 1891.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held in the Rooms, No. 3, Des Vaux Road, TONIGHT, the 28th February, at 8.45 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Managing Committee and Statement of Accounts for the year 1904. H. T. Richardson, Esq., Vice-President, will occupy the Chair.

J. F. MILLER, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 28th February, 1905. [305]

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

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35 ARTISTS 35

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THURSDAY, 2nd March. When will be produced the enormously Successful Musical Comedy.

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FRIDAY, 3rd March,

"A COUNTRY GIRL."

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"A COUNTRY GIRL."

MONDAY, 6th March,

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"THE ORGVID."

Doors open 8.30 P.M.

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PRICES AS USUAL.

Plan at Messrs. ROBINSON PIANO Company. Hongkong, 28th February, 1905. [301]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CAICUTTA.

"NAMSANG," Capt. Geo. Payne, will be despatched as above, on TUESDAY, the 7th March, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 28th February, 1905. [303]

To-day's Advertisements.

ASSOCIATION OF YORKSHIREMEN IN HONGKONG AND CHINA.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will take place at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on SATURDAY, the 18th of March. Yorkshiremen intending to be present are requested to communicate with the Under-Secretary.

As decided by the Parent Society the term "YORKSHIREMEN" includes the following:—(1) A person born in Yorkshire. (2) A person of Yorkshire parentage on either side. (3) A person who is identified by residence with the County of York.

ARTHUR CHAPMAN,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1905. [304]

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

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MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.		
FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ULYSSES"	3rd March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	4th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PYRRHUS"	10th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	13th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	18th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	21st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KAISOW"	25th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	28th March.

S.S. "ULYSSES" left Singapore p.m. on the 25th inst., and may be expected to arrive here on the 3rd proximo.
S.S. "ANTENOR" left Singapore at daylight on the 26th inst., and is expected to arrive here at daylight on the 4th proximo.

HOMEWARDS.		
FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	14th March.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"PATROCLUS"	20th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	28th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	11th April.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"ALCINOUS"	20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"KAISOW"	25th April.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and	"PINGSUEY"	1st March.
all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, and		
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"OANFA"	24th March.

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, 28th February, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"CHIH LI"	4th March.
CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG	"HANYANG"	5th "
NEWCHWANG	"ICHANG"	6th "
MANILA	"TEAN"	7th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND,		
COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE,	"CHANGSHA"	13th "
BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE		
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Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA	SATURDAY, 4th March, at 10 A.M.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	"	SATURDAY, 11th March, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1905.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL

(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail at Daylight on
"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Schuldt	March 5th, 1905.
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Wagner	March 31st, "
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Brehmer	April 20th, "
"ARABIA"	4,483	Bahle	May 11th, "

For Freight and further information, apply to

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Hongkong, 10th February, 1905.

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Hongkong, 1st February, 1904. [18]

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THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers

Tons Captain

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Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every

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Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5.30

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These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled

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Passage Fare—Single Journey ...\$4

Meals ...\$1 each.

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SHU ON S.S. CO., LD., and

YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1905. [17]

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British Steamship

"YING KING."

Captain E. I. Page, of 1,088 tons, Registered,

is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously fur-

nished steamer on the line and is lighted

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Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY,

WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING;

at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every

evening at 5 P.M.

1st Class ...\$3.00 for Single Journey.

2nd " " 1.50

Meals ...1.00 each.

The steamer's wharf is at the Western end

of Wing Lok Street.

YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.,

No. 216, Wing Lok Street.

WENDT & Co.,

Canton Agents.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1904. [15]

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE Splendid Steamer

"YING KING."

Captain Page, will make an EXCURSION

TRIP TO MACAO, on EVERY SUNDAY,

leaving the Company's wharf at the end of

Wing Lok Street, at 8.30 A.M., and returning

from Macao at 7.30 P.M.

The Steamer will lay alongside the S.S.

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FARE:

1st Class Single Ticket \$2.00, with Cabin \$3.00

Return " \$3.00, " \$5.00

Tiffin and Dinner may be had on Board

at \$1 each meal.

YUK ON & Co., LD.

S. A. NORONHA,

Macao Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904. [16]

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI."

Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.R.

THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on

Week Days, at 8 A.M. and on Sun-

days at 8.30 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week

Days at 1.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 6.30 P.M.

FARES:—Week Days, 1st Class, including

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\$5; 2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.

Every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the

following rates:—1st and 2nd Class, Single

Ticket, \$1; Return, \$2; 3rd Class, Single,

50 cents, Return, 10 cents; Steerage, 10 cents.

TIFFIN and DINNER can be supplied

either on Board, or at the Macao Hotel, for

returning passengers only, at an extra charge

of \$2.

On Sundays, passengers desiring to have a

Private Cabin which has accommodation for

two or more passengers, will be charged \$3

extra.

First Class Passengers, who do not care to

return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed

to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-

duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should

the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to

the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given

by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be

available for the following day.

The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.

The Steamer's wharf at Hongkong is at the

Western end of Wing Lok Street.

MING ON & Co.,

2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1904. [14]

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1904. About

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"SAINT FILLANS" "21st "

"LOWTHER CASTLE" "18th April, "

For Freight and further information, apply

to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1905. [67]

Shipping—Steamers.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG."

Captain P. H. Rolfe, will be despatched as

above, TO-MORROW, the 1st March, at 3 P.M.

For Freight, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1905. [289]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

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THE Imperial German Mail Steamship.

"PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD."

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MELCHERS & Co.,

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1905. [13]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND

YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"TOURANE."

Captain " " will be despatched for the

above Ports, on MONDAY, the 6th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

L. BRIDOU,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1905. [7]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-

SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,

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Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above

Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th proximo, at

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Hongkong, 16th February, 1905. [255]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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C.H. Burch, Commander, will be despatched for

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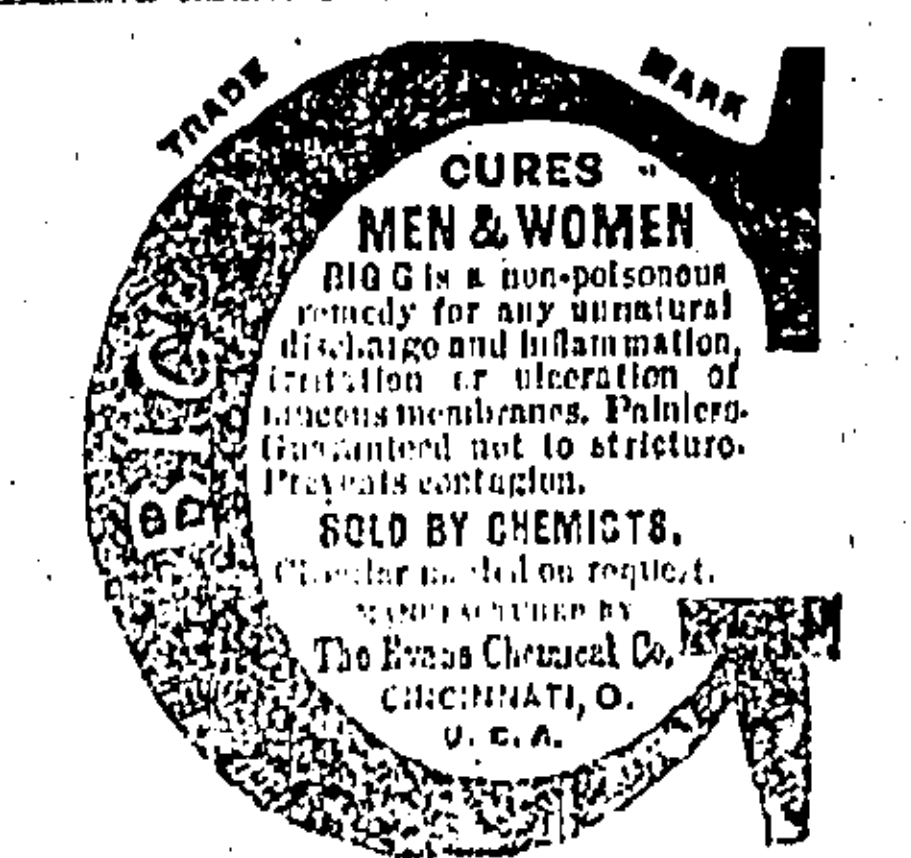
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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1904.



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THE MANAGER,

Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1904.

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Hongkong, 4th January, 1905.

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Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, R. Rodger, 27th Feb.,

Manila 25th Feb., Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Charterhouse, Br. s.s., 1,258, R. S. Bainbridge,

27th Feb.,—Singapore 21st Feb., General.

Brith, Nor. s.s., 2,279, Thor. Hellenius, 27th

Feb.,—Kuchinotzu 22nd Feb., Coal—M. & N. Kaisha.

Oopack, Br. s.s., 2,177, J. Barber, 28th Feb.,

—Singapore 22nd Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Montrose, Br. s.s., 2,843, Glegg, 27th Feb.,

Liverpool 11th Jan., Gen.—Doddwell & Co.

Greenwich, Br. s.s., 1,861, Cobb, 27th Feb.,

Colombo 10th Feb., Coal—Doddwell & Co.

Aperade, Ger. s.s., 611, A. P. Uderup, 26th

Feb.,—Haiphong and Hoibow 23rd Feb., Gen.—Jebson.

Bourbon, French s.s., 997, Sisco, 27th Feb.,

—Saigon 23rd Feb., Rice—Man Fat.

Banca, Br. s.s., 5,995, J. B. Ferguson, 27th

Feb.,—Mojl 22nd Feb., Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Suevia, Ger. s.s., 2,621, M. Knaiss, 27th Feb.,

Antwerp and Hamburg 9th Jan., Gen.—H. A. L.

Eva, Ger. s.s., 2,081, Rotter, 26th Feb.,

—Mororan 16th Feb.—Order.

Haitan, Br. s.s., 1,183, J. S. Roach, 28th Feb.,

—Fochow 24th Feb., Amoy 26th, and Swatow 27th, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Formosa, Br. s.s., 4,616, R. H. W. Snow, 28th

Feb.,—Shanghai 25th Feb., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Sachsen, German s.s., 3,118, H. Feyen, 27th

Feb.,—Yokohama 18th Feb., General—H. Melchers & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Hongkong, for West River.

Kwong, for Shanghai.

Kwong, for Canton.

Haio, for Haiphong.

Anghin, for Bangkok.

Chihli, for Canton.

Loosok, for Bangkok.

Triumph, for Swatow.

Ping On, for Sha-u-Tsung.

Puk Kong, for West River.

Kwelin, for Shanghai.

Shun Lee, for Kongmoon.

Charles Hardouin, for Canton.

Benlarig, for Diamond Island.

Yikang, for Swatow.

San Cheong, for Canton.

Wing Chai, for Macao.

Namshan, for Hongkong.

Hoing, for Sha-u-Tsung.

Catherine Apcar, for Singapore.

Ping Sui, for Tacoma.

Wong Kwai, for Wuchow.

Taming, for Manila.

Apngrade, for Hoibow.

Hing Sang, for Canton.

DEPARTURES

Feb. 28

Cromo, for Shanghai.

Anghin, for Bangkok.

Wahora, for Amoy.

Loosok, for Bangkok.

Peria, for Singapore.

Namshan, for Hongkong.

PHRENIQUE ARRIVALS

Per Zafiro, from Manila—Mrs. E. E. Olcott.

Messrs. Otto Weber, Manuel Palacios, A. V. S.

Olcott, Reynolds, Clayton, Mr. and Mrs.

Young, Master Luis Rabat, Mr. H. Ingenohl.

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Shultz, Mrs. M. Winkebach, Mr. K. Abe, Mr.

M. Abe, Mrs. C. R. Trowbridge, Mrs. Sixta

Osete and children Mr. Chong Kong Van,

Mrs. Dodge, Mrs. Bissell, Messrs. V. A. Dodge,

E. Bauer and Romin.

Vessels in Port.

STRANERS

Aker, Nor. s.s., 1,899, Chr. Hansen, 25th Feb.,

—Antwerp 5th Jan., Gen.—E. A. T. Co.

Argus, Br. s.s., 1,827, D. H. Heslop, 24th Feb.,

—Singapore 18th Feb., Ballast.—D. & Co. Ld.

Arratoon Apar, Br. s.s., 2,931, E. Fey, 9th

Feb.,—Calcutta via Penang and Singapore

3rd Feb., Gen.—D. S. & Co. Ld.

Auchenarden, Br. s.s., 2,251, Crowder, 14th

Feb.,—Karatsu 8th Feb., Coal—M. B. K.

Benlarig, Br. s.s., 2,530, A. Wallace, 22nd Feb.,

—Mojl 16th Feb., Coal—M. B. K.

Catherine Apar, Br. s.s., 1,730, A. Stewart,

20th Feb.,—Calcutta 4th Feb., Penang

11th, and Singapore 14th, Gen.—D. S. & Co. Ld.

Choysang, Br. s.s., 1,424, H. Roope, 26th Feb.,

—Canton 25th Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Chiyun, Ch. s.s., 1,177, C. Stewart, 30th Feb.,

Shanghai 23rd Feb., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Clara, Jensen, Ger. s.s., 1,193, F. Bencksen,

4th Feb.,—Wuhu and Chinkiang 31st Feb.,

Rice and Groundnuts—J. & Co.

Derwent, Br. s.s., 1,562, Jenkins, 22nd Feb.,

—Saigon 18th Feb., Gen.—Man Fat & Co.

Egremont Castle, Br. s.s., 1,834, I. Moodie,

10th Feb.,—Cardiff 17th Dec., Coal—B. & Co.

Empress of Japan, Br. s.s., 3,039, Henry

Pybus, R.N.R., 15th Feb.,—Vancouver 23rd

Jan., and Shanghai 12th Feb., Mail and

Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Flintshire, Br. s.s., 2,274, D. Davies, 26th Feb.,

—London 8th Jan., Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Fri, Nor. s.s., 2,600, N. Andersen, 22nd Feb.,

Wakamatsu (Japan) 15th Feb., Coal—

Aagaard & Thoresen Co.

Glenogle, Br. s.s., 2,399, W. T. Larkins, 18th

Feb.,—Singapore and Rangoon 12th Feb.,

Gen.—Seang Tak Hong & Co.

Goodwin, Br. s.s., 2,832, W. Nibbet, 22nd Feb.,

—Mojl 17th Feb., Coal—Order.

Hanoi, Fr. s.s., 730, P. Merlees, 25th Feb.,

—Haiphong and Hoibow 24th Feb., Gen.—A. R. M.

Helene, Ger. s.s., 771, J. Jensen, 25th Feb.,

—Touane 22nd Feb., Coal and Gen.—J. & Co.

Idomeus, Br. s.s., 4,208, H. Nish, 26th Feb.,

—Yokohama via Port and Shanghai 23rd

Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Ikbal, Br. s.s., 3,490, Robertson, 10th Feb.,

—Durban 17th Feb., Ballast.—G. L. & Co.

Indravelli, Br. s.s., 3,215, S. Cullington, 28th

Nov.,—Shanghai 24th Nov., Ballast.—J. M. & Co.

Johanne, Ger. s.s., 952, Ipland, 22nd Feb.,

—Haiphong 18th Feb., and Hoibow 21st

Rice, Gen. and Pigs.—J. & Co.

Katharine Park, Br. s.s., 3,075, W. H. Capp,

12th Jan.,—Sasebo (Japan) 8th Jan., Light

—G. L. & Co.

Kwongsang, Br. s.s., 1,428, W. P. Baker, 26th

Feb.,—Shanghai 10th Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Lowther Castle, Br. s.s., 2,961, W. Lightoller,

26th Feb.,—Takau (Formosa) 25th Feb.,

Gen.—D. & Co. Ld.

Nain Sang, Br. s.s., 2,591, Geo. Payne, 27th

Feb.,—Calcutta 12th Feb., via Penang and

Singapore 21st, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Nord, Nor. s.s., 730, Haraldsen, 20th Feb.,

—Amoy 10th Feb., Ballast.—Order.

Petchaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,375, G. Hillmann, 19th

Feb.,—Bangkok 10th Feb., Rice, Meal and

Wo d.—B. & S.

Peik, Nor. s.s., 791, Lorensen, 24th Feb.,

—Newport and Jan., Coal—Order.

Ping Sui, Br. s.s., 4,150, Elliott, Warrall,

26th Feb.,—Singapore 21st Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Profit, Nor. s.s., 710, Olsen, 23rd Feb.,

—Bangkok 15th Feb., Rice—H. A. L.

Providence, Nor. s.s., 693, C. Cornelissen, 26th

Feb.,—Bangkok 18th Feb., Rice—M. & Co.

Quinta, Ger. s.s., 937, F. Frhm, 26th Feb.,

—Sourabaya 16th Feb., Sugar and Gen.—S. & Co.

Saint Cuthbert, Br. s.s., 3,166, J. Lewis, 18th

Feb.,—from Durban, Coals.—D. & Co.

Saint Louis, Fr. ship, 1,625, Mathis, 23d Feb.,

—New York 4th Nov., Oil.—S. O. Co.

Seaward, U.S. transport, 350, Croakey, 28th

Dec.—Manila 24th Dec.

Siam, Br. s.s., 990, R. H. Binns, 25th Feb.,

—Shanghai 22nd Feb., Ballast.—Mr. Geo. McBain.

Signal, Ger. s.s., 907, A. Bendixen, 25th Feb.,

—Bangkok 18th Feb., Rice.—J. & Co.

Skuld, Nor. s.s., 947, Odd, 24th Feb.—Cardiff

25th Dec., and Singapore 14th Feb., Coal—

—A. Thoresen & Co.

Taming, Br. s.s., 1,350, A. W. Outerbridge, 24th

Feb.,—Manila 22nd Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Tearots, Ger. s.s., 1,578, J. Deiler, 19th Feb.,

—Mojl 14th Feb., Coal.—S. & Co.

Then, Ger. s.s., 2,199, H. Fulda, 20th Feb.,

—Mojl 14th Feb., Coal.—J. & Co.

Tingyang, Br. s.s., 1,045, D. H. H. Lawrence,

26th Feb.,—Wuhu 21st Feb., Rice.—J. M. & Co.

—Feb. 27th, 30.20.

—Temp. 57.

—Rainfall 63.

—Kainfall 60.

Tjipanas, Dut. s.s., 2,475, P. Zwart, 25th Feb.,

—Java via Makassar 17th Feb., Gen.—C. J. J. L.

Triumph, Ger. s.s., 760, A. Hansen, 25th Feb.,

—Fochow via Amoy and Swatow 24th

Feb., Gen.—O. S. K.

Tungus, Nor. s.s., 1,093, C. L. Halvorsen, 22nd

Feb.,—Mojl 17th Feb., Coal—M. & Co.

Vegga, Swed. s.s., 1,683, C. F. Benson, 18th

Feb.,—Labuan 9th Feb., Coal—Order.

Venus, Am. s.s., 957, A. de Dralulla, 23rd Feb.,

—Manila 18th Feb., Gen.—Barretto & Co.

Yuensang, Br. s.s., 1,128, P. P. Rolfe, 27th

Feb.,—Manila 24th Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

SAILED VESSELS.

Forrest Hall, Br. ship, 1,991, P. A. Logan, 14th

Jan.,—New York 7th Aug., 1904 Petroleum.

Mails.

MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES
FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON,
SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT,
MARSEILLES, LONDON,
HAVRE, BORDEAUX,
MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

The S.S. "GALEDONNIEN."

Captain Gregory, will be despatched for
MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 7th
March, at 1 P.M.

Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading
issued for above ports.

Cargo also booked for principal places in
Europe.

Next sailings will be as follows:—
S.S. OCEANIE.....21st March.
S.S. TOURANE.....4th April.
S.S. TONKIN.....18th April.

L. BRIDOU,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1905. [7]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND
LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERI-
CAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship
"BENGAL,"
Captain G. Philipps, carrying H.M. Majesty's
Mails, will be despatched from this for
BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 11th
March, at Noon, taking Passengers and
Cargo for the above Ports in connection with
the Company's S.S. "Leana," 6,610 tons, from
Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which
vessel is secured before departure from Hong-
kong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail
steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and
London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be
conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Persia,"
due in London on the 22nd April.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.
For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1905. [2]

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

Connecting at Tacoma with
NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY
COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR
VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA,
VIA

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	Sailing.
Platania	3,753	F.G. Partridge	At Mar. 15
Shawmut	3,606	E. V. Roberts	April 3
Trenton	3,606	T. W. Garlick	May 6
Lyra	4,417	G. V. Williams	May 15

[Cargo only.

FOR MANILA.

The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable
steamer for Manila.

Trenton, 3,606 T. W. Garlick, At April 8
Lyra, 4,417 G. V. Williams, May 3

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION,
ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE, ELECTRIC
LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.

The twin-screw s.s. *Shawmut* and *Trenton*
are fitted with very superior accommodation
for first and second class passengers. The
large size of these vessels ensures steadiness
at sea. Electric fan in each room.
Barber's shop and steam-laundry. Cargo
carried in cold storage.

For further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

General Agents.

Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1905. [8]

BOO CHEONG,

STATIONER AND PAPER MERCHANT,
No. 20, Pottinger Street.

HAS always on hand all varieties of
Stationery, Printing and Note Papers,
Copying Presses, also Automatic Cyclostyle
and Elms Duplicate.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1905. [64]

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

BEST "HEMMOOR" CEMENT, to arrive
S.S. "ABERGELDIE," about 2nd March.
A. H. RENNIE,
2, Chater Road.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1905. [292]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net \$5.00 per Cask
ex Factory.

In Bags of 250 lbs. net \$3.20 per Bag
ex Factory.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904. [5]

TUBORG BEER.

A FIRST CLASS PILSENER BEER
guaranteed free from Salicylic Acid,
and any other Chemicals.

PRICE \$10.50 per case of 48 bottles (quart-
or 6 doz. pints).

Special Prices for Quantities.

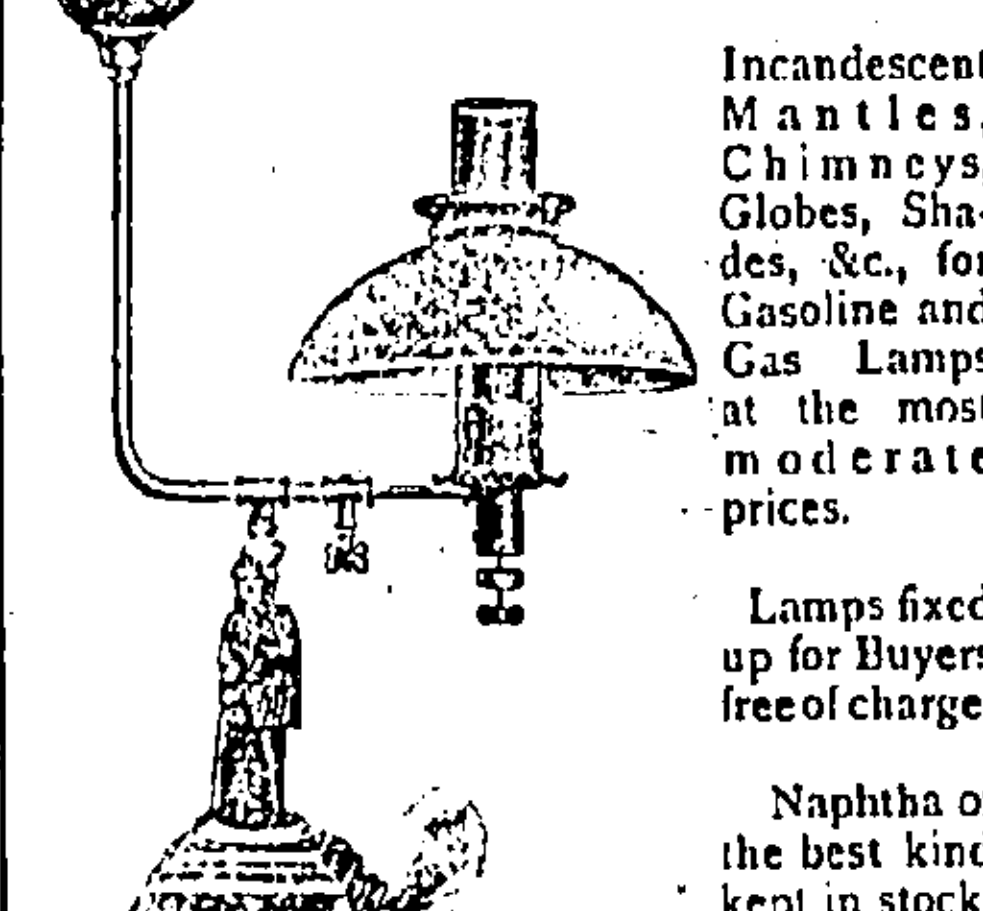
Sole Agents:—

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1905. [57]

FOR SALE.

INCANDE-
SCENT,
Gasoline,
Lamps of all
descriptions
from the best
makers.



Incandescent
Mantles,
Chimneys,
Globes, Sha-
des, &c., for
Gasoline and
Gas Lamps
at the most
moderate
prices.

Lamps fixed
up for Buyers
free of charge.

Naphtha of the best kind

kept in stock.

TAI KWONG CO.,

56, Lynchhurst Terrace.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1904. [54]

To Let.

FOR SALE OR TO LET,
AT THE PEAK.

Nos. 2 AND 3, GOUGH HILL.

AN ELEVEN-ROOMED HOUSE with
Dressing, Drying and Bath-room; partly
furnished; distant thirteen minutes by chair
from the Train; fitted with superior baths and
with hot and cold water; large Kitchen;
Laundry and Servants' Quarters. Can be used
as one dwelling or divided into two.

For Particulars and Terms, apply to—

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1904. [1978]

TO LET.

GODOWNS Nos. 100 and 101, Praya East,
with Water Frontage.

Apply to—

"VICTORIA BUILDINGS."

Hongkong, 28th December, 1904. [1978]

TO LET.

SIX FIRST-CLASS EUROPEAN
HOUSES in Observatory Road, Tsun
Tsa Tsai, Kowloon. Each with five spacious
well-ventilated living rooms, two bath rooms,
kitchen, garden, tennis courts, servants' quar-
ters, water, gas, electric lights and bells.
Moderate Rental. Possession on or about
1st April, 1905.

Apply to—

ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.,

45, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1905. [104]

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIVON TERRACE.

A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.

FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing
Polo Ground.

OFFICES in course of erection, CON-
NAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).

GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [69]

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3, New Praya, Kennedy
Town.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1904. [71]

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE,

THE PEAK.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [70]

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. BENJAMIN, KELLY & POTTS. Corrected to noon; later alterations given in the "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.	
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,000,000 \$8,000,000 \$350,000 \$175,533 \$191,973	\$1,493,408	Div. of £1.10/- and bonus of £1 @ ex- change 1/11 9/16=\$25.46 for second half-year 1904	\$720 sales London 77 1/2	
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£7	\$175,533 \$191,973	\$21,668	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	5 1/2 % \$36	
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,400,000 \$17,739	\$150,494	\$17 for 1903	6 1/2 % \$270	
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$950,000 \$151,992 \$362,366 \$371,445	Nil	\$4 1/2 for year ended 30.4.1904	7 1/2 % \$59	
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 800,000	Tls. 217,119	Final of 10/- making £1 for 1903	8 % Tls. 95 sellers	
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$1,850,000 £20,000 \$272,749 \$893,110 \$846,773 \$700,000 \$37,794 \$1,000,000 \$25,675 \$2,561 \$1,702,288	\$2,078,997	\$35 for 1903	5 % \$700 buyers	
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	\$1,850,000 £20,000 \$272,749 \$893,110 \$846,773 \$700,000 \$37,794 \$1,000,000 \$25,675 \$2,561 \$1,702,288	\$486,284	\$12 for 1902	8 % \$ 60	
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$100,000	\$329,047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902	7 1/2 % \$93	
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$100,000	\$371,110	\$22 1/2 for 1902	6 1/2 % \$350 sales	
SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900	...	\$23
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$185,000 \$80,935 \$250,000 \$600,000 \$158,444	Nil	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	6 % \$33 1/2 buyers	
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$205,000 £100,000	\$26,160	\$1 for second half-year 1904	10 % \$26 buyers	
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	\$400,000 £100,000	£5,853	10/- for 1903 @ 1/10 5/16=\$5.378 1/2	4 1/2 % \$125 sales	
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	9 % Tls. 52 sales	
Do. (Preference)	100,000	£1	£1	\$4,000,000 £4,116	£58,852	Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 5) for 1904	7 % Tls. 50 sales	
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	1,000,000	\$10	\$10	\$60,000	\$1,287	\$1.80 & b. 40 cts. for year ending 30.4.04	4 % \$22 1/2 sales	
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$15,093	\$1,287	\$1.80 & b. 20 cts.	5 1/2 % \$29	
Straits Steamship Company, Limited	5,000	\$100	\$100	\$400,000 \$21,075 \$18,000 \$130,153 Tls. 98,000 Tls. 201,614	\$33,648	\$5 for 2nd 1-year making \$13 for 1903	9 % \$140 sellers	
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 98,000 Tls. 201,614	Tls. 865	Interim of Tls. 1 1/2 for 1904	11 % Tls. 30	
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$147,717	Interim of \$5 for 1904	...	\$225 buyers
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$73,905	\$3 for 1897	...	\$22 1/2 buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,635	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.04	4 1/2 % Tls. 54 sales	
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$40,000	£7,820	No. 3 of 1/6	5 1/2 % Tls. 8	
Oriental Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	50,000	G \$10	G \$10	none	G \$672,093	50 cents making G. \$1 for 1904	5 1/2 % G \$17 1/2 sales	
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	£4,873	Dr. £4,029	No. 12 of 1/-=48 cents	...	\$32 buyers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 251,327 Fcs. 1,529,852	Fcs. 85,706	Final of Fcs. 25 making Fcs. 55 for 1903	...	\$490
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$70,000	\$10,517	\$3.75 for 1903	9 1/2 % \$40 buyers	
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown, Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000 \$250,000	\$28,015	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1904	4 1/2 % \$102 1/2 buyers	
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$33,500	\$498,289	\$6 dividend and \$1 bonus for 2nd half- year 1904	7 1/2 % \$205 buyers	
Howarth Fiskine, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	\$60,000	...	\$10 div. & \$5 bonus for year end. 30.6/04	7 1/2 % \$25 buyers	
New Amoy-Dock Company, Limited	6,000	\$6 1/2	\$6 1/2	\$55,500	\$489	\$14 for 1903	4 1/2 % \$25 sellers	
Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited	6,000	\$100	\$100	\$50,000	\$49,936	\$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	6 1/2 % \$100 buyers	
Do. (Preference)	2,750	\$100	\$100	\$50,000	\$49,936	\$7 dividend	8 % \$110	
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited	53,200	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 900,000	Tls. 46,153	Tls. 5 interim for 1904/5	8 % Tls. 155 buyers	
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 487,210	Tls. 22,895	Interim of Tls. 4 for 1904	8 % Tls. 150	
Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited	37,000	\$100	\$100	\$2,100,000	\$43,712	\$6 for first half year 1904	3 1/2 % \$375 sales	
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 6,000	Tls. 1,760	Tls. 18 for 1903	4 1/2 % Tls. 190 sales	
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDING.								
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$6,989	\$2 1/2 for year ended 30.6.1904	8 % \$30 sales	
Astor House Hotel, Limited (Tientsin)	2,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 41,000 \$100,000	Tls. 655	Interim of Tls. 4	6 % Tls. 150 sellers	
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$11,824 \$20,000	\$11,668	\$5 for first half-year 1904	7 1/2 % \$141 buyers	
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$250,000	\$37,875	Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1904	9 % \$130 sellers	
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited (Shanghai)	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 13,086	Tls. 680	Tls. 0.87 1/2 for the year ending 31.3.1904	4 1/2 % Tls. 20 sales	
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$200,000	\$11,958	90 cents for 1904	7 1/2 % \$12	
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000	\$377	\$3 for 1904	8 1/2 % \$36 buyers	
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 828,813 Tls. 170,000	Tls. 40,16	Tls. 3 final and Tls. 2 bonus making	7 1/2 % Tls. 116 sellers	
Tientsin Hotel des Colonies, Limited	1,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 2,132	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2	...	Tls. 48 sellers
Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited	7,726	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 54,626	Tls. 325	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	5 % Tls. 130 sales	
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	none	Tls. 5,150	None	...	Tls. 12 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,247	Final of \$1.70 making \$3.20 for 1904	5 1/2 % \$57	
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 11,655	Tls. 4 for year ended 31.10.1903	16 % Tls. 25	
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$2,862	50 cents for the year ending 31.7.04	3 % \$14	
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 50,000 Tls. 35,227	Tls. 13,629	Interim of 3 % a/c 1898	...	Tls. 25
Laon-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 10,000	Interim of 4 % a/c 1898 on 6,000 shares	...	Tls. 25
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 8,115	Tls. 22,050	4 % for 1897	...	Tls. 150
CIGARS AND TOBACCO COS.								
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$200	\$200	\$779	nil	\$125 for year ending 30.6.1900	...	\$100 buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10	...	...	First year	...	\$91
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,091	Interim of Tls. 3	12 % Tls. 75 sales	
MISCELLANEOUS.								
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$25,000 \$25,000	\$2,883	Interim of 50 cents for 1904	8 % \$12 1/2 sales	
Hell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	none	£161	6d. per share for 1903	5 % \$5 1/2	
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$5,500	\$596	\$3 for 1903	7 1/2 % \$21 sellers	
Central Stores, Limited	6,000	\$15	\$15	\$20,000	\$1,253	Interim of \$1.20 for 1904	11 1/2 % \$100	
Do. (Founders)	123	\$15	\$15	\$20,000	\$1,253	None	8 1/2 % \$8 sellers	
Do. (New Issue)	24,000	\$15	\$7 1/2	...	...	Preferential of 7 per cent for 1904	4 1/2 % \$15 1/2 sellers	
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil	60 cents for 1903	4 1/2 % Tls. 74 sales	
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,042	Tls. 6 for 1903	8 % \$10	
China Light and Power Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$3,739	None	9 1/2 % \$24 sales	
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$8,000	\$1,581	80 cents for 1904	9 1/2 % \$12 buyers	
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	none	Dr. Tls. 153,318	\$1 1/2 for year ending 31.7.1903	...	\$12 buyers
E. L. Mondon, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	...	Tls. 5 for 1902	...	Tls. 10 buyers
Fraser and Neave, Limited	4,500	\$50	\$50	\$112,500	\$2,700	\$5 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	7 1/2 % \$100	
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$400,000	\$91,054	\$3 for 1904	7 1/2 % \$28 ex div. b.	
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$186,000	\$13,104	Interim of 2/-	14 % \$21 buyers	
Hongkong & China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	£10	£10	£23,109 £3,000	£7,625	£1 div. and 2/- bonus for 1903	7 1/2 % \$150 buyers	
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	30,000 30,000	\$10 \$10	\$5 \$5	none	\$1,747	\$1.00 for year ending 30.4.1904	6 1/2 % \$14 1/2 buyers	
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$50,000	\$1,795	\$5 for year ending 30.11.1904	6 1/2 % \$245 sales	
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$60,000	\$530	Final of \$13 making \$17 for 1904	7 % \$244 sellers	
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000	\$5,391	Final of \$13 making \$17 for 1904	6 1/2 % \$155 sellers	
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$5,500	\$299	\$1.50 for the year ended 30.9.04	10 1/2 % \$18	
Katz Brothers, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$375,000	...	\$15 for 1903	9 1/2 % \$135 buyers	
Lane, Crawford & Co., Limited (Shanghai)	2,500	\$100	\$100	...	\$21,582	Interim of 7 1/2	8 1/2 % \$145	
Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch-en Landbouwen plottend in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 15,210 Tls. 19,465	Tls. 35,849	£4 1/4 quarterly of Tls. 5, paid 15.12.04	15 1/2 % Tls. 270 sellers	
Maynard and Company, Limited	3,400	\$10	\$10	none	\$803	\$2 for year ended 31.10.1903	7 1/2 % \$27 buyers	
S. Moutrie & Company, Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$5,000	\$834	Final of \$3 making \$5 for the year ending 30.6.04	9 % \$55 sales	
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$50	\$50	None	Dr. \$5,537	None	...	\$50
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	16,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000 Tls. 108,172	Tls. 7,548	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 1904	7 1/2 % Tls. 112 1/2 sales	
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Company, Limited	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 10,247	Tls. 5 for 1903	5 1/2 % Tls. 88 sales	
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 45,000	Tls. 6,958	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 14 for 1904	9 1/2 % Tls. 147 1/2 ex d.	
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	7,100	£20	£20	Tls. 140,000	Tls. 7,369	Interim of 15/- for 1904	6 % Tls. 430 sales	
Singapore Dispensary, Limited	600	\$50	\$50	\$6,000	\$850	\$5 for year ended 31.7.1903	6 % \$85	
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$39,020	None	...	\$22 buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	5,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$3,644	65 cents for year ended 31.5.04	8 1/2 % \$7	
Straits Ice Company, Limited	10,000	\$5	\$5	none	...	First year	...	\$4 1/2 buyers
Straits Trading Company, Limited	250,000	\$100	\$100	\$45,000 \$750,000	...	\$7 1/2 for second half year 1903	9 1/2 % \$100 sales	
Tientsin Native City Waterworks Company, Ltd.	2,941	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 413	\$1 div. and 35 cents bonus for half year ended 30.9.1904	6 1/2 % \$42 sales	
Tientsin Waterworks Co. Company, Limited	2,000	T.Tls. 100	T.Tls. 100	Tls. 15,259	Tls. 667	Tls. 2 for half year	...	T.Tls. 110
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900	\$10	\$4 1/2	\$20,000	\$1,580	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1903/4	6 1/2 % T.Tls. 130	
Do. (Founders)	100	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$1,580	90 cents for year ending 31.5.1904	9 1/2 % \$9 1/2 buyers	
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,803	\$1,042	\$1 for 1903	11 % \$180 buyers	
William Powell, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$3,000	\$88	Final of 70 cents making \$1.20 for the year ending 30.6.1904	9 1/2 % \$12 1/2 sellers	